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[*on the report of the Sixth Committee (A/72/466)*]

72/122. Responsibility of international organizations

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 66/100 of 9 December 2011, the annex to which contains the text of the articles on the responsibility of international organizations, and its resolution 69/126 of 10 December 2014 commending the articles to the attention of Governments and international organizations,

Recalling also that the International Law Commission decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it take note of the draft articles on the responsibility of international organizations in a resolution and annex them to that resolution, and that it consider, at a later stage, the elaboration of a convention on the basis of the draft articles,[1]

Emphasizing the continuing importance of the codification and progressive development of international law, as referred to in Article 13, paragraph 1 (a), of the Charter of the United Nations,

Noting that the subject of responsibility of international organizations is of major importance in the relations of States and international organizations,

Taking note of the comments of Governments[2] and the discussions in the Sixth Committee at the sixty-ninth and seventy-second sessions of the General Assembly on this topic,

Noting the compilation of decisions of international courts, tribunals and other bodies referring to the articles, prepared by the Secretary-General,[3]

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[1] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 10* (A/66/10), para. 85.
[2] A/72/80.
[3] A/72/81.

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1. *Takes note once again* of the articles on the responsibility of international organizations,[4] and commends them to the attention of Governments and international organizations without prejudice to the question of their future adoption or other appropriate action;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to update the compilation of decisions of international courts, tribunals and other bodies referring to the articles and to invite Governments and international organizations to submit information on their practice in this regard, as well as written comments on any future action regarding the articles, and also requests the Secretary-General to submit this material well in advance of its seventy-fifth session;

3. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-fifth session the item entitled "Responsibility of international organizations", with a view to examining, inter alia, the question of the form that might be given to the articles.

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[4] Resolution 66/100, annex.